



# Counterpoise

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### The USS Midway

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It was a Dark & Stormy Night, it was wet anyway on the evening of our February meeting. Roy Gallagher, KR6RG, and Joe Chmelik K6JUN Gave a great presentation on the history, and conversion into a museum the U.S.S. Midway. The presentation was very informative and entertaining. A great time was had by all who attended. For more information on the USS Midway see <https://www.midway.org/>

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### Show Us Your Shack

We are starting a new column here on Counterpoise **Show Us Your Shack**. The idea being to give our readers a chance to share their operating positions, and a little about them and their interest in amateur radio. Dave Ward KD6DW has invited us into his shack today lets step inside and see...



### ARCEC Repeater Frequencies

2 Meter Repeater	220 MHZ Repeater	440 MHZ Repeater
TX 146.475	TX 222.480	TX 440.900
RX 147.420	RX 224.080	RX 445.900
Offset .945	Offset 1.6	Offset 5.00
PL 107.2	PL 107.2	PL 107.2



I became a ham in 2006 and am now an extra class with a worked all states, and DXCC for 152 locations.

#### Current equipment

Yaesu FTDX-1200 HF rig  
Ameritron ALS-600 amp  
LDG AT-600PROII autotuner  
Kenwood TM-271 2 meter radio.

For HF antennas; using a hex beam and Shorty Forty 40 meter and 40 and 80 meter NVIS antennas



## Next Month

### AF6LJ's Shack



## WAMO Net Rebirth

Steve AJ6IT has brought the Wednesday WAMO Net back from its long hibernation. The WAMO Net is a controlled net for members, and non-members of the Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon. The net meets every Wednesday starting with early check-ins at 7:45 PM Pacific time. Come and join us for the WAMO net.

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## Gallbladder Net Traffic

I managed to scratch my left eye in my sleep last Thursday night. It has taken seven days to get back to being able to work on anything involving heavy use of my eyes. Oh well Now I get to play catch-up, otherwise my health is otherwise good.

## Next Month's Meeting

### Repeaters

It's an all technical program. Our own Chuck Wood (WD6APP) will give the presentation. He will be talking about repeaters and how they function, and various other "tekkie" topics that make our hobby work. This topic will be of interest to all "newer" hams and also to the more experienced hams who have been thinking about setting up their own repeaters. [wa6bgs.us](http://wa6bgs.us)

### Support Our Local Businesses



We have Three Board Positions Open

**ARCEC WANTS YOU!**

### Club Shirts & Jackets

We have green, pocketed 2013 Field Day club shirts available in sizes S (2), M (1), and L (8) for \$10 each. Our standard Club Shirts have no pocket and are in sizes M (10), L (4), 2XL (7), 3XL (4), 4XL (5) for \$10 each. Sizes are limited to stock on hand.

Lined Windbreaker Jackets are also available in sizes L (1) and XL (7) for \$24 each. These have side pockets with snap closure.

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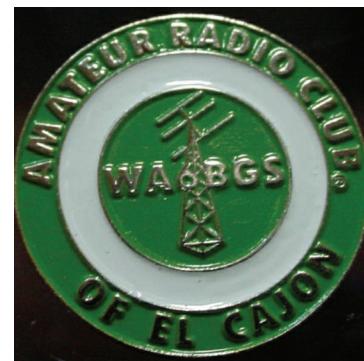
## Membership Badges & Pins

All members of the Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon who might wish to obtain a membership badge can contact Dell Awards and place an order with them. They are our current preferred source for these badges, and have our logo and design on file and ready to create a custom badge for members. Current price is \$7.50 per badge and they have indicated that there is normally a 3 business day turnaround time. These are quality badges made by a long established company, so place yours on order soon. They can be reached at the below address and phone number, and be sure to mention you saw this blurb in the Counterpoise newsletter too.

**Dell Awards**  
**7949 Broadway**  
**Lemon Grove, CA 91945**  
**(619) 469-2100**  
**Hours: Mon-Fri 9:30am-5:30pm**  
**Sat 10am-1pm**  
**Sun - Closed**

### Club Pins Now Available:

They have arrived! A limited number of club pins are now here and can be obtained from our Treasurer at most club functions. These are 1" diameter pins with a rubber clutch pin on rear. You can now show the world your support of the Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon, and for the small cost of \$3.00 each too. Get them while they are available.





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## WA6BGS

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Please fill out this form and then see options at bottom for submitting to the club

Date of application: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Amount Paid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Check \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Type: Individual (\$20/year) Family\* (\$35/year)

Membership Status: New Renewal Returning Member

Call Sign \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

If a previous member, what was your WAMO number?

ARRL Member: Yes No

License Class: Technician General Extra Other

Email Address (required) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Use another sheet of paper to add Family members and please include the following information:*

First Name, Last Name, Call Sign (if any), License Class, Wamo Number (if any), & Email Address.

### Submitting this form:

To submit this form, you can mail it to:

**Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon  
P.O. Box 50  
El Cajon, CA 92022**

-OR-

Bring it to the next club meeting on the second Thursday of each month. You can find the date and location by getting online at [www.wa6bgs.us](http://www.wa6bgs.us) which is the club website. Check it out for the most current information regarding the club.

**Cash Payments** - Get a receipt from the Club Treasurer. Please make all checks payable to AMATEUR RADIO CLUB of EL CAJON, Incorporated. Receipts for payments by check will be sent by email or regular mail by the Club Treasurer.

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